

WHEREAS; gastroparesis, or paralysis of the stomach, is a chronic condition characterized by nausea, vomiting, feelings of fullness after eating small amounts, lack of appetite, and debilitating stomach pain; and

WHEREAS; gastroparesis can lead to serious complications, including malnourishment, dehydration, extreme weight fluctuations, esophageal damage, and dangerously erratic blood sugar levels; and

WHEREAS; although it is estimated that the illness affects millions of people in the United States, gastroparesis receives little awareness, has no known cure, and only a few consistently safe, reliable, and effective medications and treatments exist; and

WHEREAS; this month, the state of Wisconsin joins all affected individuals, families, and dedicated advocates and organizations in spreading awareness of gastroparesis and embracing the hope that advancements in science and medicine will soon lead to a deeper understanding of the disease, new treatments to enhance quality of life, and a cure;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim August 2023 as

## **GASTROPARESIS AWARENESS MONTH**

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance  
to all our state's residents.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed. Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison this 21<sup>st</sup> day of July 2023.



TONY EVERS, Governor

By the Governor:



SARAH GODLEWSKI, Secretary of State